HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

Introduced by: Foley, Welch

A RESOLUTION recognizing Ellen Wilson-Pruitt and the art of porcelain painting.

Whereas, Ellen Wilson-Pruitt serves as the ambassador for the art of porcelain painting;

Whereas, Porcelain painting is the practice of painting on porcelain with minerals and firing the finished work in a kiln;

Whereas, The processes used to create porcelain paintings have changed very little since the time of the Chinese dynasties;

Whereas, The areas around Cincinnati and Chicago were the centers of this industry in the United States with Rockwood

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Pottery and Pickard Pottery, whose pieces are highly collectible today;

Whereas, As people and circumstances changed around the world, the art of porcelain painting became less popular;

Whereas, A rediscovery of the art of porcelain painting is underway all over the world today;

Whereas, There is a collection of regional guilds in Indiana belonging to the Indiana World Organization of China Painters helping to revive interest in this ancient art;

Whereas, These guilds have museums full of fine examples of hand painted porcelain on display for all to enjoy;

Whereas, The Indiana World Organization of China Painters and the World Organization of China Painters hold biennial world conventions that gather artists together to exhibit and exchange art pieces and procedures; and

Whereas, The fine art of porcelain painting deserves to be restored to its original place of honor in the artistic world and all prejudices removed regarding this ancient art form: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives recognizes the beauty porcelain painting brings into the lives of everyone who sees it and that Ellen Wilson-Pruitt is an outstanding ambassador for the art.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Ellen Wilson-Pruitt and the Indiana World Organization of China Painters.

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